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ABC COMMISSION APPROVES LOCATIONS FOR ABC STORES AND REVIEWS RULES FOR GROWLERS AND IN-STAND BEER SALES

RALEIGH – The three-member North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission today unanimously voted to approve ABC store locations proposed by the Greensboro ABC Board for 4106 Spring Garden Street, Greensboro, and by the Jackson County ABC Board for parcel number 7572-83-3302, located along U.S. Highway 64 in Cashiers.

The Commission also received and reviewed proposed rules regarding growlers (rigid glass or metal containers that can contain up to 2 liters of beer) and sales of beer in stands at professional sporting events. Recent legislation requires the ABC Commission to create rules for the sale of growlers of beer sold by retailers; the Commission also must develop rules that apply to in-stand beer sales at professional sporting events held in facilities with capacity of 3,000 and more. The Commission members did not vote on the proposed rules and will take them back up at their August meeting.

In other action, the Commission levied more than \$60,000 in fines or suspensions of five days or more on representatives of 50 clubs, convenience stores, restaurants and other businesses holding permits to sell alcohol in North Carolina. Fines begin August 9 and suspensions August 16.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. The Commission oversees more than 25,000 permits allowing alcohol sales by more than 18,000 retail outlets across the state. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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